

Fenner Nature Center

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March 2010

Spring will be here soon!

Annual Meeting Highlights by Carol Miller

As a prelude to Super Bowl Sunday, FOFNC held its own super event on Saturday afternoon, February 6. An enthusiastic crowd attended this important session focused on the past year in review: programs, Board and committee activities, a financial update, the Executive Director Search, and Fenner leadership restructuring.

Thanks to all who attended and participated in the meeting. Carol Ingells, FOFNC member, started the meeting by reading the minutes from the 2009 Annual Meeting followed by Treasurer Jennifer Olson's excellent yearly Financial Report. Outgoing Board President,

Carol Miller, thanked all the board members for their creative problem-solving and service. She then individually introduced Linda White, Ron Rosen, Barb Ringlein, and Chip Kosloski who shared reports about the Power of We Grant activity, membership, volunteer coordination, and programming, respectively. The vote followed, with members unanimously electing Jennifer Olson to serve a three-year term on the Board.

An informative PowerPoint presentation came next, designed by Wolfgang Miller and narrated by Ron Eggleston, showcasing Fenner Nature Center's past, present, and future in



text and various lively photos of Fenner visitors and activities. In conclusion, in open dialogue, members and guests shared their questions and concerns about, as well as their hopes for, the future of Fenner.

All reports and documents are available per request for anyone who missed the meeting and would like the printed information that was shared. Call Fenner at 483-4224 for assistance.

Maple Syrup Festival

March 20- 21, Sat. & Sun., 11:00 am-4:00 pm

Please see pages 6&7 for more information.

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Grounds open daily 8 am to dusk.

Hours for Center:

Tu-Fr 10 am to 4 pm

Sa-Su 12 noon to 4 pm



The Bottom Line for Fenner Nature Center's Future: Fund Raising and Volunteer Development by Carol Miller

These harsh economic times touch all people and places, Fenner Nature Center included. As the City of Lansing budget shortfalls force cutbacks around Lansing, Friends of Fenner must raise funds to carry on the mission of nature education at the center.

FOFNC is currently operating under a license agreement with the City to provide nature programming. We are responsible for hiring and paying an Executive Director and ensuring that the highest quality management and programming will continue their rich traditions at Fenner. Fortunately, the City of Lansing still generously maintains the building and grounds, pays utilities and lends

support whenever possible.

Officials budgeted \$28,000 for the Friends of Fenner this past year to assist with staffing costs and supplies. However, funding for the fiscal year starting July 1, 2010 is not guaranteed. Therefore, as a volunteer organization, we must generate revenue from programs, and raise money from donations, memberships, and events to total around \$47,000 for the city fiscal year ending June 30, 2010 (and we are well on our way to that goal) and about \$82,000 for the city fiscal year ending June 30, 2011.

Future expenditures beyond that will increase as will our need to raise funds. **The bottom line is: the community must join together to help**

raise money and donate time and talent or Fenner Nature Center's future is in grave jeopardy.

You can help by volunteering, networking with folks who can help with fundraising efforts, advocating for Fenner Nature Center at the upcoming City Budget meetings, and joining the FOFNC Board or a committee. Committees include: publicity, events, fundraising, grant-writing, gift shop, membership, grounds, programming, outreach and more. Please call 483-4224 for more information.

2009 Volunteers of the Year By Carol Miller

Congratulations to Betty Moore and Joanne Foy, FOFNC's 2009 Volunteers of the year 2009! Friends and staff recognized them at the festive Volunteer Holiday Luncheon on Saturday, December 5. While all volunteers are recognized and greatly appreciated, Betty and Joanne are exemplary.

Betty served on the Board of Directors and worked in the gift shop for many years, most recently serving as shop Volunteer Coordinator. She enthusiastically lends a hand at all festivals and specializes in popping the famous Fenner popcorn! Always dependable and positive, Betty inspires all around her. Equally impressive, Joanne excels in supporting Fenner Nature Center as a former Board member, festival helper, herb/native plant garden director, and Apple Butter Festival herb exhibitor. Last fall, she organized FOFNC's hugely successful first annual Native Plant Sale raising approximately \$800 for the center. Thank you Betty and Joanne, for your hard work and dedication!



FOFNC Members Support You! By Carol Miller

Congratulations to the 2010 members of the FOFNC Board of Directors: Ron Eggleston (President), Wolfgang Miller (Vice President), Jennifer Olson (Treasurer), and Jason Almerigi (Secretary). This experienced group is well-equipped to move Fenner forward in collaboration with our future Executive Director, the newly-formed Volunteer Network and committees. The Board still needs additional members, however. If you have expertise in management, accounting, grant writing, fundraising, strategic planning and/or non-profit operations, please call 483-4224 and leave a message for Ron Eggleston.

Thanks to all the board members who contributed in many capacities to the leadership of FOFNC during 2009: Jennifer Olson, Ron Rosen, Jennifer Good, Kim Brodil, Ron Eggleston, Wendy Larson, Linda White, Jason Almerigi, Wolfgang Miller, Franni Tourtellot, Judi Miller, Michelle Jacques, and Carol Miller.

The Executive Director Search Committee is completing nine phone interviews as of mid-February. Encouraged by the fine pool of candidates, the committee hopes to recommend one person to the Board of Directors to be considered as Fenner Nature Center's new Director by late spring.

Consumers Energy Grant

By Carol Miller

Consumers Energy recently granted \$1,000 to the Friends of Fenner for the Norris Ingells Nature Education Fund. This fund supports education for children through quality programming at Fenner Nature Center. Scholarships to provide bus transportation are also available for local schools so that field trips to Fenner are more affordable.



Chris Thelen, Consumers Energy representative, presented the generous check to Norris Ingells committee members Judi Miller and Franni Tourtellot at the FOFNC Board of Directors meeting on January 25. FOFNC is most appreciative!

Grant from Jackson National Community Fund Supports Annie's Big Nature Lesson at Fenner

By Carol Miller

Margaret Holtschlag, Director of Annie's Big Nature Lesson and FOFNC member, applied for a grant on Fenner Nature's behalf to support this vital program at Fenner. As a result, the Jackson National Community Fund Committee generously granted \$2,500 to Friends of Fenner Nature Center to host four weeks of Annie's Lessons which will be held for four schools at Fenner this spring.

Our huge thanks go to Margaret for initiating this gift. We are most grateful to Danielle Weller and the Jackson National Community Fund for this important contribution to the missions of both ABNL and FOFNC.

Preuss Pets Show 'N Tell

By Gair Tourtellot

An overflow audience of 70+ watched and listened attentively as animal caretaker Sean, from Preuss Animal House in Old Town, exhibited six exotic animals at FNC on January 23. He packed two fascinating hours with species characteristics, habitat, foods, jaws, predators, sexing, adaptations, life spans, endangerment, and much more.

A stout six-foot boa constrictor from Colombia coiled about Sean's body for warmth. Touched by many, it was found not to be slimy. (Where does that idea come from,



Sean with tortoise.
Photographer & Member: Ann Ryan

the alliteration of "slinky, slimy snake?") Sean warned of the invasion of the Everglades by all-consuming imported snakes, and the foolish releasing of exotic pets—even on Preuss' doorstep! None of his animals could survive a Michigan winter...not yet.

A young South American tortoise, a male somewhere north of 40 years old, had tough scaly legs, too big to retract within its shell. "Turtles" swim, but "tortoises" are terrestrial and "will sink like a rock." Sean said that such long-lived animals are

very serious commitments as pets, who would probably out-live you.

The kids loved a pair of Madagascar hissing cockroaches. Adults were wary. These are the only insects that hiss, through a slit in their exoskeletons. Handled gently, most insects will quickly die if their exoskeleton is breached, for they contain no veins, only fluids under pressure. (Super Glue for repair.)

A dragon lizard clung to Sean's arm, soaking up his heat. Like snakes, they can dislocate their jaws to swallow prey. Eager, petting hands—away from the face, please!—found, surprise, scales really are NOT slimy.

The cute African Pygmy hedgehog was an albino, who would have a problem surviving its nocturnal life in the wild. We found the hedgehog's spines are quite unlike a porcupine's: neither loose nor prickly.

The Chilean rose hair tarantula (5" foot span) was covered with colorful setae, irritating and defensive barbed hairs. Setae are also found on familiar lepidopteron caterpillars in Michigan. Kids allowed up close respectfully kept below eye-level, for tarantulas are frightened by shadows overhead in to biting venomously. Tarantulas are pretty omnivorous in their foot-

wide territories outside their burrows. As pets, they are fed several crickets every 3 weeks, but can fast for months.

After Sean's two-hour show—few left before the end—he took time out of his busy schedule to look at our exhibit animals and make sure they were getting the best care possible. Sean stressed that proper research and thought go into each animal before owning them as a pet and to understand their particular needs in order to live a long, happy life. With his suggestions, several changes have been made and will hopefully result in healthier and happier animals.

Join Us To Make 2010 Your Fenner Year!

By Barb Ringlein

WELCOME VOLUNTEERS!

We'd like to invite all **returning** and **new** volunteers to our Fenner Spring Volunteer Orientation! Please join us Saturday March 13th from 10am-noon for meet, greet, and treats and to start the official kick-off for the upcoming schedule of volunteer activities. In addition to taking care of some of the necessary formalities (bring your emergency contact info!), join us for an informal tour of the center and park (weather permitting). We'll look back with some history of Fenner as well as look forward to the exciting future at the



Center. Thanks in advance for your attendance and participation!

PLEASE RSVP (reply including name and email or phone to fennernature@lansingmi.gov or call 517-483-4224).

If you are unable to join us this time, we look forward to seeing you at a future scheduled Volunteer Orientation. For now please consider the following action: In an effort to ensure a positive experience for our volunteers by the most effective use of our resources, we are in the process of updating our Volunteer List. Please take a moment to review and fill out our new volunteer brochure/form on-line (www.fofnc.org). Your participation will improve the accuracy and efficiency of our volunteer coordination and is greatly appreciated!

Volunteer Coordination Team

THANKS!

**Thank you to our new members, LIFE members, and
renewing members for 2010.**

We greatly appreciate your support!

New

Aldrich, Linda J.
Bahar-Cook, Rebecca
Cassidy, Julie & Family
Chenault, Mildred
Clingersmith, Terry
Crowgey, Julie
Davis, Jack & Susan
Harris, Lauren Julius
Hayes, Daniel
Holtschlag, Margaret
LaRoy, Bernard C.
Martineau, Cindi
Rivera, Jenö
Sage, Stephen
Smith, Elizabeth
Ziegler, Mat, &
Pedersen, Emily, &
Smith, Merlin

LIFE

Bratton, Clara
Brigham, Joan
Fenner, Dave &
Shirley
Heilman, Tim &
Christine
Higbee, Peggy
Wales, John & Carrie

Renewals

Acton, Edye
Allen, Eric
Almerigi, Jason
Bauer, Joanne
Bauer, Doris H.
Beckon, Larry & Jean
Beckwith, Gladys
Brigham, Rick
Brown, Norman & Audrey
Clark, Linda & Nonn, Sean
Claypool, Allan & Cathy
Danek, Michael & Gloria
Davis, Catherine
Day, Bernice
Dean, Phil & Mary
Decker, Beverly R.
Dhanak, Harriet
Diesen, Deborah
& Miller, Tobin
Dittrich, Francie
Dunnebacke, Sid & Sandra
Eggleston, Ron & Sue
Engelter, Jessica & Family
Eskes, Arlene
Featherly, Fern & Chuck
Febba, Sam & Liz
Fielding, Mary
& Kogut, Anthony
Foy, Joanne
Francis, Ann M.
French, Coleen
Good, Leona
Harvey, Ken & Joanne
Hoffer, Grace
Ingells, Carol
Kibbey, Rick
Kirchoff, Kurt
& Swearingen, Kathy
Kortge, Ken & Viola
LaRoy, Kathleen
Larson, Wendy
Lee, Marilyn
Leonard, Ann

Lewis, Marie & Gordon
Light, Elliot & Rose
Lininger, Sharon
Marvin, David
Masterson, Madeline
McCrea, Bruce
McGowan, Karen
Messenger, Joyce
Miller, Carol & Doug
Miller, Judi
Miller, Wolfgang
Moore, Betty
Neils, Irmgard
Osterhaus, Joyce
Ostrander, Elise
Paspas, Barbara
Peebles, Bob & Betty
Plotkin, Jacob
& Schuur, Susan
Ramroth, Kay & Carl
Rayn, Henry
& Feldpausch, Julie
Reader, Kris
Rollins, Paula R.
Rosen, Ron
Rosenman, Dr. Kenneth
D. & Mrs.
Rutledge, Gretel Geist
Spink, Gordon & Jane
Staley, Stella Y.
Tourtellot, Frances, Gair
& Sam
Walkinshaw, Janet & Jim
Weaver, Harold & Betty
Wiener, David M.
& Beverly
Wolf, Roger & Debra
Wrisley, Nan
Zack, Rose & Everett



**MAPLE SYRUP FESTIVAL
FENNER NATURE CENTER
March 20-21, 11:00am-4:00pm
Saturday and Sunday
Entry is free!**

It's that promising time of year again when the sap starts to flow in mid-Michigan! Please join the fun at this yearly Lansing tradition happening at Fenner. Invite all your family and friends and celebrate the season! Come and Enjoy:

Maple Syrup Demonstrations in the Fenner Maple Tree Grove.

Maple Syrup for sale from the local Fogle Sugar Bush farm, maple leaf candy, cook-books, and other related items for sale!

Tasty food items: maple syrup sundaes, maple leaf cookies, hot beverages, chocolate chip cookies, popcorn, and healthy snacks!



Used Book Sale!

Local Artisans offering some demonstrations and nature-themed artwork to sell: water color painting, nature photography, pottery, native American flutes, wood carving and Jewelry.

Blue Bird Box Display with children's activity and prize drawing, presented by Gene Wasserman.

Kid's Craft Table and Face Painting

Gift Shop will be open throughout the festival.

WE NEED BOOKS, CDs, AND DVDs!

The book sale at the 2009 Maple Syrup Festival was a big hit and profitable, so we're doing it again!

Please help us by donating your books, CDs, and DVDs. You may drop them off between now and March 19th when the Center is open. Hours are Tuesday-Friday 10:00 am to 4:00 pm and Saturdays/Sundays 12 noon to 4:00 pm. Please, no textbooks, computer books, magazines, video or cassette tapes.



2010 Maple Syrup Festival Volunteer Sign-up March 20 & 21

Our Maple Syrup Festival will soon be here, and we need enthusiastic volunteers like you to help it run smoothly. Below is a list of areas in need of a helping hand and suggested time slots. If you are able to join us, please choose the area that most appeals to you and return this form to Fenner. If you have any questions regarding this form or the job duties, **please call Francine at 483-4224 or email fennernature@lansingmi.gov**

VOLUNTEER POSITIONS

WEEKDAY:

_____ School groups - Gift Shop & Maple Products Sales.

WEEKEND:

_____ Floater (Help where needed)	_____ Maple Products Sales
_____ Book Sale	_____ Set Up Crew (Fri., Mar. 19)
_____ Hot Drink/Cookie Sales	_____ Clean Up Crew (Sun., Mar. 21)
_____ Children's Activities	

TIME SCHEDULE for WEEKEND FESTIVAL

FRIDAY

_____ Friday 1-4 PM
(set-up)

SATURDAY

_____ 10am - 1:30pm

_____ 1:15pm - 4:30pm

SUNDAY

_____ 10am-1pm

_____ 1pm-4pm

_____ 3:30pm-5:30pm
(clean-up)

MONDAY

_____ 10am-12pm
(final clean-up)

SORRY, I WILL BE UNABLE TO VOLUNTEER.
HOWEVER, I AM ENCLOSING A DONATION FOR \$_____.

Name(s) _____ Phone _____

Address _____

Please send this form back as soon as possible to:

Fenner Nature Center
2020 E. Mt Hope
Lansing MI 48910

You are invited to complete either,
or both, sides of this form.

Friends of Fenner, we welcome knowing your areas of interest!***SURVEY***

You are invited to complete either, or both, sides of this form.

Do you have any personal group/contacts you would like to receive information on upcoming events/projects at Fenner? Please include their information here:



Please list any event or project ideas you would like to see occur or be considered at Fenner Nature Center. Be specific so we can direct your ideas/requests to the correct people and resources to best address them. Some examples to get you going:

1. Establish a photo reference of the invasive plants existing at Fenner.
2. Remove some of the existing brush piles to enhance the trail experience.
3. Have a spot for volunteer's personal mug (Be Green) for warm drinks on cold project days!
4. Host an Open House for our MSU/East Lansing neighbors...or for a Lansing group.

YOUR IDEAS:



If interested in further participation or to receive follow up on your submittals, please include your name, email/or other contact information.



Please drop off, email to fennernature@lansingmi.gov, or mail this form to
2020 E. Mt. Hope Ave., Lansing, MI 48910.

Nature Programs for All Ages

Call Fenner Nature Center (517-483-4224) for information and/or registration.

Winter Campfire (Ages 4-Adult)

Enjoy a winter's evening around the campfire. After a guided hike through the woods, warm up around the fire with s'mores, hot chocolate, and songs.

2/27 Sat 6:30-8:30 pm

Activity #237420C \$5 (ages 4-17)

Activity #237420D \$5 (Adult)



Knee High Naturalist (Ages 3-5)

There are many story books that excite nature curiosity of children. Jean Bolley of the Capital Area District Library will begin with a story, a staff naturalist will then continue with activities and a discovery walk on the same theme. The afternoon will end with a craft to take home.

Activity #337520A - Snakes

4/15 Thu 1-2:30 pm \$5

Activity #337520B - Turtles



Project Learning Tree (PLT) Workshop

\$30 - (Educators of Preschool- Grade 8)

Join Fenner Naturalists as they take you through the activities of an award-winning environmental educational program designed for both formal and non-formal educators who teach youth from preschool through Grade 12.



PLT uses the forest as a "window" on the world to increase young people's understanding of our environment; stimulate their critical thinking;

develop their ability to make informed decisions on environmental issues; and instill within them the commitment to take responsible action on behalf of the environment. Participants of the workshop will receive a copy of the PLT curriculum guide, which includes hundreds of activities you can use in your "classroom". Lunch included.

3/27 Sat 10am-4pm

Activity #237530B \$30 (Adult)

Earth Day 2010



Help us celebrate our earth and all it provides us. Kids of all ages can have fun learning to identify trees and animal homes, hike through the forest for a look at how Mother Nature recycles, and learn about some of our native plants and wildlife, including reptiles and amphibians. Help do your part to eradicate some of the invasive plants that are

found at Fenner, and find out what your carbon footprint looks like.

4/18 Sun 12-4 pm Free

Nature Trek for Toddlers (Ages 2-3 w/adult)

Spring is here and it is a great opportunity to get outside after the cold winter. Come with your toddler to introduce him or her to the wonders of nature. This hands-on, active program has been designed to enhance the natural curiosity of two and three year olds. Each week there will be activities, a story and outdoor discoveries.

\$30/Res; \$35/Non-Res

Activity #337510A 4/19-5/17 Mon 9-10 am

Activity #337510B 4/19-5/17 Mon 10:30-11:30 am

Spring Break Nature Explorations

\$15 (Kindergarten - 5th Grade)

Sign up for one, two, or three days at Fenner Nature Center and explore the park during the changing season. We may experience everything from a snowstorm to balmy temperatures, but we will still go out and investigate the changes occurring in plants and animals in the park. Every day is different. Be ready for hikes, fun activities, and crafts.

Activity #337530A 4/6, Tues, 9 am-2:30 pm

Activity #337530B 4/7, Wed, 9 am-2:30 pm

Activity #337530C 4/8, Thu, 9 am-2:30 pm



Home School Classes (K- 5th Grade)

Home school families can join us for an educational adventure! Under the guidance of a staff naturalist, your child will explore the fields, forests, and wetlands of Fenner Nature Center to observe the lessons of nature first hand.

Activity #337220A - Your Carbon Footprint

4/20 Tue 1-2:30 pm \$4/child

Activity #334220B - Which way is North

5/18 Tue 1-2:30 pm \$4/child



Spring Bird Walks

Walk the trails Saturday mornings with a local birder to observe the spring migration of birds through Lansing. Anyone interested in watching birds or learning more about birds is invited to join us. Saturday walks are led by volunteers from the local Capital Area Audubon Society.

4/10, 4/17, 4/24 9 am Free

5/1, 5/8 5/15, 5/22, 5/29, 6/5 8 am Free



Herbs from Head to Toe

Don't just look at your garden this summer... be ready to put your garden to work! Come and learn several ways to use the herbs you grow to make your own hair conditioner, spritzers, herbal lip balm, facial steams, herbal body scrub & foot powders. Each participant will receive a lip balm and a handout which includes the recipes for all the day's projects. A \$2 materials fee is payable to the instructor on the day of the workshop. Instructor, Coleen French, is a familiar face to those who have attended past Apple Butter Festivals.

\$10/Res; \$15/Non-Res

Activity #43700A 6/5, Sat, 10-11 am

International Migratory Bird Day/Be a Tourist in Your Own Town – June 5

Join the US Fish and Wildlife Service, Potter Park Zoo, and Fenner Nature Center for a day full of fun and information. Start out the day at Fenner on a bird walk. Search for migrating birds on their return from warmer climates, and also nesting residents setting up their summer territories. Beginning at 10 am, there will be displays and activities at Fenner and more activities, talks and demonstrations at Potter Park, all provided by individuals and organizations interested in spreading the word about the life of birds.

Fenner Nature Center Bird Walk 8 am-10 am
Family Activities 10 am – 5 pm
Potter Park Zoo Activities/displays 10 am-5 pm

Fenner Summer Nature Camps

Come join us for a new and unique summer day camp experience full of adventure at Fenner. All programs will offer close-up, hands-on experiences with the out-of-doors! Each week will include an expert speaker on the week's topic or a trip off-site to a local park, museum, bug house, or zoo!



Fees:

4 day camps

Full Day \$55 Res; \$70 Non-Res

Pre-K Half Day \$30 Res; \$40 Non-Res

2 day camps

Full Day \$28 Res; \$36 Non-Res

Pre-K Half Day: \$16 Res; \$21 Non-Res

Preschool Mini Camp (One day): \$8

Toddler and friend (Age 3 and under): \$6

Roots and Shoots

6/16 – 6/17 Wed – Thurs 9am – 2:30 pm

Activity #437240A (Completed K- 2nd grades)

Activity #437240B (Completed 3rd – 7th grades)

Nature's Art

June 22-25, Tuesday - Friday

Preschool (Ages 4 & 5)

#437200A 9 – 11:30am

#437200B 12 – 2:30pm

Kindergarten-Grade 2 (Completed)

#437210A 9 am – 2:30 pm

July 20-23, Tuesday – Friday

Kindergarten-Grade 2 (Completed)

#437210D 9 am – 2:30 pm

Grade 3-7 (Completed)

#437220B 9 am – 2:30pm

Go Green

June 29 – 30, Tuesday - Wednesday

Activity #437240C (Completed K- 2nd grades)

Activity #437240D (Completed 3rd – 7th grades)



Fenner Summer Nature Camps (continued)

Animal Adventures

July 6 – 9, Tues - Friday

Activity #437210B (Completed K- 2nd grades)

Activity #437220A (Completed 3rd – 7th grades)

Flying Frenzy

July 13 – 16, Tues - Friday

Preschool (Ages 4 & 5)

Activity #437200C 9 – 11:30am

Activity #437200D 12 – 2:30pm

Activity #437210C (Completed K- 2nd grades)

Water, Water Everywhere

July 27-28, Tuesday – Wed

Kindergarten-Grade 2 (Completed)

Activity #437240E 9 am – 2:30 pm



Survivor Camp

July 28-29, Thursday - Friday

Kindergarten-Grade 2 (Completed)

Activity #437240F 9 am – 2:30 pm

Activity #437240G (Completed 3rd – 7th grades)

The Best Week Ever

August 3-6, Tuesday – Friday

Preschool (Ages 4 & 5)

Activity #437200E 9 – 11:30am

Activity #437200F 12 – 2:30pm

Kindergarten-Grade 2 (Completed)

Activity #437210E 9 am – 2:30 pm

Grade 3-7 (Completed)

Activity #437220C 9 am – 2:30pm

Preschool Mini-Camp (Ages 4 & 5)

Have fun outdoors with these 1-day camps. There will be lots of activity with hikes, crafts, stories, and games. Fee: \$8/class

June 18, Friday – Roots and Shoots

Activity #437500A 9 – 11:30 am

Activity #437500B 12 – 2:30 pm

July 1, Thursday - Turtles

Activity #437500C 9 – 11:30 am

Activity #437500D 12 – 2:30 pm

July 28, Wednesday – Water, Water Everywhere

Activity #437500E 9 – 11:30 am

Activity #437500F 12 – 2:30 pm

Toddler and Friend (Ages 2 & 3)

Explore the outdoors with your toddler. Using senses and hands-on activities, your little one will have fun discovering the wonders of nature. Fee: \$6/class

June 18, Friday

Activity #437510A 9 – 10 am

Activity #437510B 10:30 – 11:30 am

July 1, Thursday

Activity #437510C 9 – 10 am

Activity #437510D 10:30 – 11:30 am

July 27, Tuesday

Activity #437510E 9 – 10 am

Activity #437510F 10:30 – 11:30 am

FNC Staff

Francine Clark
*Naturalist Interpreter and
Office Manager*

Megan Berry
Naturalist Interpreter

Chip Kosloski
Naturalist Interpreter

Janelle Young
Naturalist Interpreter



From left:
Chip, Janelle, Megan, Francine.

2010 Board of Directors

Ron Eggleston
President

Wolfgang Miller
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Jennifer Olson
Treasurer

Jason Almerigi
Secretary

MC Rothhorn

Help Needed! I am looking for your help in giving recognition to the many individuals/groups who have done projects at Fenner. If you are, or know someone, who has done a project, please email me at RnR@butter.toast.net or write to me at the Center. Please give me the name of the person/group, describe the project, where it is located, and approximately when it was completed. Any questions, please write or call me at 702-9466 (daytime).

Thanking you in advance.
Ron Rosen

**Mission Statement:**

The Fenner Nature Center, a nonprofit organization, exists to facilitate the preservation of a natural environment within an urban setting for the health and well-being of all living things and to promote education and appreciation of the natural world.



Fenner Nature Center
2020 East Mount Hope
Lansing, MI 48910



Upcoming Events

Saturday, February 27, 6:30-8:30 pm
Winter Hike and Campfire

Saturday, March 13, 10-12 noon
Fenner Spring Volunteer Orientation

Third Tuesdays, 7:00 pm (starting March 16th)
FOFNC Board meetings

Saturday and Sunday, March 20-21, 11 am—4 pm
Maple Syrup Festival

Sunday, March 28, 12 noon till we drop!
Spring Clean-Up Day

Sunday, April 18, 12-4 pm
Earth Day 2010 celebration

Saturday, June 5, 10 am-4 pm
Region-wide Garlic Mustard Pull Challenge at Fenner

Saturday, June 5
International Migratory Bird Day/Be a Tourist in Your Own Town

Saturday, June 5, 10-11 am
Herbs from Head to Toe

*For more information,
see pages 9 & 10.*

**Fenner Nature
Center is on the Web
and
Facebook!**

www.fofnc.org

Gift Shop Hours

**Saturdays, 12noon to 4pm
Sundays, 12 noon to 4 pm
(and by request)**